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SUBJ: VISIT OF CODEL SIKES

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1. CONGRESSMAN ROBERT F. SIKES (D), FLORIDA, ARRIVED
IN N'DJAMENA FOUR HOURS LATE ON AUGUST 12 WHEN HIS
SPECIAL AIR FORCE JETSTAR WAS DELAYED AT TAMANRASSET BY
ALGERIAN REFUSAL TO ACCEPT A CREDIT CARD PURCHASE OF JET
FUEL. FROM THIS POINT ON, HOWEVER, EVERYTHING WAS ON
SCHEDULE AND THE EMBASSY CONSIDERS THAT SIKES' VISIT WAS
EXTREMELY SUCCESSFUL AS WELL AS USEFUL TO THE USG.

2. SIKES AND HIS MILITARY AIDE WERE DRIVEN FROM THE
AIRPORT DIRECTLY TO A COCKTAIL/DINNER, IN HIS HONOR,
ALREADY IN PROGRESS AT THE AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE.

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THE CONGRESSMAN PLUNGED IN WITH MUCH GUSTO AND
PICTURE TAKING TO JOIN CIVIL SERVICE MINISTER GENERAL
DOUMRO N'GUENBAYE, SMC MEMBER/MINISTER OF EDUCATION
CAPTAIN GOUARA LASSOU, AND OTHER GUESTS.

3. SATURDAY MORNING BEGAN WITH A TOUR OF THE CITY
AND IMMEDIATELY SURROUNDING COUNTRYSIDE IN RESPONSE TO

THE CONGRESSMAN'S EXPRESSED INTEREST IN ROADS, BRIDGES
AND TRANSPORTATION PROBLEMS. COUNTRY TEAM BRIEFINGS WERE
CONDUCTED IN CAR EN ROUTE. AN HOUR LONG MEETING WITH
VICE PRESIDENT COLONEL MAMARI DJIME NGAKINAR WENT
EXTREMELY WELL AND SIKES STATED THAT HE WOULD CONSIDER
HIMSELF CHAD'S SPOKESMAN IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.
THE DISCUSSION CENTERED AROUND THE TWO INTERCONNECTED
THEMES OF THE SECURITY SITUATION/NATIONAL RECONCILIATION
AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. (FYI: AS A FOLLOW-UP TO
THE MEETING, CONGRESSMAN SIKES REQUESTED AMBASSADOR
BRADFORD TO DRAFT A SPEECH FOR HIS DELIVERY ON THE FLOOR
OF THE HOUSE. HE IS SO DOING AND WILL SEND IT TO
CONGRESSMAN VIA DEPARTMENT.) FOLLOWING A FINAL
WHIRLWIND SHOPPING TRIP, SPAR 66 HAD SHEELS UP AT 12:40
HOURS AND HEADED TOWARDS KHARTOUM. BRADFORD

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